### Vermont Positive Behavioral Supports (VT-PBS) Learning Series 08/09

# A Forum on School-Wide Positive Behavioral Supports (PBS) With Dr. George Sugai Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Lake Morey Inn

Come learn about School-Wide Positive Behavioral Supports (PBS), a systems approach to social competence for all children. PBS is not a model, but a compilation of research based practices, interventions and systems integrated to improve the educational experience of all students, including those with disabilities. Successful PBS implementation in a school creates operationally defined and valued outcomes using research-validated practices and a significant shift from reactive and aversive approaches to managing problem behaviors to one that is preventive and positive, resulting in both enhanced learning quality and reduced problem behaviors.

**Who should attend?** Anyone is welcome. School staff are encouraged to attend as teams with a principal or assistant principal. **Fee:** Free to registered participants.

## "Getting to Readiness" Workshop for School Teams Planning to Implement PBS Tuesday, November 18th, Capitol Plaza, Montpelier

In order to implement school-wide PBS, schools must be "ready" according to the Vermont PBS Readiness Checklist (found at <a href="www.uvm.edu/~cdci/best">www.uvm.edu/~cdci/best</a>). This workshop is designed to offer readiness strategies so that school teams will meet the necessary prerequisites for implementation. The agenda will include benefits and misconceptions about PBS, the specific steps involved with school-wide PBS, strategies for staff buy-in, systems for data-based decision making and action planning for Readiness. Who should attend? Participants must attend as school teams including the building administrator.

#### **Fee:** \$45 per person.

### First Steps in VT-PBS Implementation Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Capitol Plaza, Montpelier

This is an essential workshop for school teams that meet PBS "Readiness". Participants will increase fluency in the framework of PBS, learn about the steps needed for school leadership team training and begin the process of developing their PBS Implementation Plan. *Who should attend?* School Teams that have met the PBS Readiness criteria and who are planning to attend the BEST Summer Institute for school leadership training in June. **Fee:** \$45 per person.

## PBS School Leadership Team Training at the BEST Summer Institute Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> – Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, Location to be Determined

PBS school leadership teams will learn about the procedures and practices of PBS Implementation. They will work together to develop a PBS Implementation Plan which will include the use of school data to help make decisions about meeting school-wide behavior support needs. The Plans focus on the creation of school-wide expectations, lesson plans for teaching expectations, practices and procedures for acknowledging expected behaviors, and practices and procedures for discouraging problem behaviors.

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**Who should attend?** Fully formed PBS School Leadership Teams that have participated required pre-requisite activities. Teams must be approved by a state level PBS Implementation Coach in order to attend. **Fee:** \$500 per person (by April 1st); \$550 per person (after April 1<sup>st</sup>)

To register visit: <a href="www.uvm.edu/~cdci/best/?Page=calendarTA0708.html">www.uvm.edu/~cdci/best/?Page=calendarTA0708.html</a>
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